

FACT SHEET

TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO THE AIR TOXICS RULES FOR TWO SURFACE COATING INDUSTRIES: THE SURFACE COATING OF AUTOMOBILES AND LIGHT-DUTY TRUCKS; AND SURFACE COATING OF PLASTIC PARTS AND PRODUCTS

ACTION

- On April 18, 2007, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) amended the air toxics rules for two surface coating industries: automobiles and light-duty trucks, and plastic parts and products.
- EPA is taking direct final action to amend the automobile and light-duty truck standards to clarify the interaction between that rule and the plastic parts standards, to clarify the meaning of certain regulatory provisions, and to correct certain errors identified in the regulatory text.
- This action also amends the plastic parts standards to clarify that screen printing is not subject to that rule.
- EPA issued a national rule to limit emissions of toxic air pollutants from automobile and light-duty truck surface coating facilities in 2004. The plastic parts coating rule also was issued in 2004. These rules are three of 96 rules called maximum achievable control technology standards that require 174 industry sectors to eliminate 1.7 million tons of 187 toxic air pollutants. Congress listed these toxic air pollutants in the Clean Air Act.
- EPA views these corrections as noncontroversial and does not anticipate adverse comments and is issuing this rule as a direct final rule with a parallel proposal. If EPA receives adverse comment on any provisions of the parallel proposal, we will withdraw those provisions from the direct final rule and respond to all comments pertaining to those provisions in a subsequent final rule.
- This direct final rule does not alter the stringency of the promulgated rules and has no adverse health or environmental impacts.
- There are no costs associated with this rule.
- These direct final rule technical amendments will be effective 60 days after publication of the direct final rule in the *Federal Register*.

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